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Violation of section 65 of the Motor Vehicles Act by the bus operators in the South Kanara district.

* 66 *Q.*—Dr. K. B. MENON : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state— 11-30 a.m.

(*a*) whether the Government have recently received any representation from the Secretary, Kanara Motor Workers' Union, regarding the violation of Section 65 of the Motor Vehicles Act by all the bus operators in the district; and

(*b*) if so, what action the Government have taken in the matter and with what result?

The Hon. Sri B. PARAMESWARAN :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir.

" (*b*) The Government have examined the representation and are satisfied that there has been no violation of the provisions of Section 65 of the Act. However, it is open to the Union to bring to the notice of the Regional Transport Officer, South Kanara, specific instances in future, where operators violate the provisions of this section so that suitable action can be taken against them."

Medical examination for nurses in the Government General Hospital, Madras.

* 67 *Q.*—Sri K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any routine half-yearly medical examination for the nurses working in the Government General Hospital, Madras; and

(*b*) if so, for what purpose?

The Hon. Sri A. B. SHETTY :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir.

" (*b*) For a periodical check up of the health of the nursing staff particularly for detecting cases of tuberculosis in their early stages and other ailments, if any."

Sri K. P. GOPALAN :—" May I know from the Hon. Minister whether it is a fact that a male doctor was deputed to conduct the medical examination of nurses and whether the nurses were treated in an indecent way in November, 1953? May I also know whether it is a fact that three nurses refused to be medically examined by a male doctor and demanded that a lady doctor should be appointed by the Government to conduct medical examination of nurses and that the Dean of the General Hospital turned down their request? May I know whether the Government will be pleased to depute lady doctors to conduct the medical examination of women nurses? "

The Hon. Sri A. B. SHETTY :—" Instructions have been issued to the Deans of the Government General Hospital and the Stanley Hospital to get women nurses examined only by women medical officers."

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SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" May I know from the Hon. Minister whether doctors who examine patients maintain history sheets of the patients examined by them? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" I believe so."

Expenditure incurred in connexion with the case of C. G. Menon in the Madras High Court and the Supreme Court.

* 68 Q.—SRI K. C. GOPALAN UNNI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state the total amount spent by the State Government on the case of C. G. Menon and his wife in the Madras High Court and the Supreme Court?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" The expenditure incurred in connection with the case in the Madras High Court on account of the fees for the Advocate-General and State Prosecutor was met by the Government of India and it was subsequently reimbursed by the Government of Singapore. In the Supreme Court an expenditure of Rs. 2,942–8–0 was incurred by this Government towards printing charges and towards fees for Counsel appearing for the State and this amount will also be reimbursed in due course."

Eviction of Hindu families from the lands held by them on lease from the Sacred Heart's College, Shanbaganur.

* 69 Q.—SRI P. RANGASWAMI REDDIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have received any memorandum from the poor Hindu residents of Kodaikanal living in huts constructed on the lands belonging to the Catholic Fathers of the Sacred Heart's College complaining against the said Fathers for their attempt to evict them wholesale on the ground of their constructing a temple for Lord Siva for their worship in the said locality;

(b) whether the said residents requested the Government to allot necessary house-sites to them from the Government lands available near their present habitation;

(c) if so, whether the Government enquired into their complaint and considered their request; and

(d) if so, with what result?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" The Government have received a memorandum which purports to be from the Hindu residents of Kodaikanal and alleges among other things that certain Hindu families living at Shenbaganur were evicted by the authorities of the Sacred Heart's College from the lands held by them on lease from the Sacred Heart's College on the ground that they worshipped a Hindu deity installed on a platform erected in the margin of the Ghat road at Shenbaganur.